

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kunio GOTO

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For: THREADED JOINT FOR STEEL PIPES AND PROCESS FOR THE SURFACE  
TREATMENT THEREOF



Art Unit: 1762

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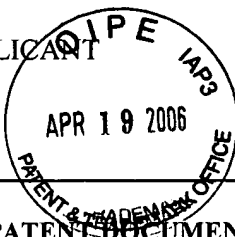
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	TRANSLATION		
							YES	NO	PART.
	1.	WO 93/06197	04/01/1993	PCT			X		
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